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(c) whether they intend to appoint a committee in each District to select candidates for such posts;

(d) whether it has come to their notice that at present while making selection to these posts injustice is being done to candidates of backward classes;

(e) whether they would fill up such posts by selecting such candidates who have got their names registered in the employment exchange?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Forest and Transport).—

(a) The Divisional Controllers for the Divisions, Works Manager for the Regional Workshops, Deputy General Managers for Bangalore Transport Service and Bangalore Divisions and the General Manager for the Central Office.

(b) 15 per cent—the percentage as prescribed by the Government.

(c) No.

(d) No. The allegation is not correct.

(e) In respect of local appointments this is already being done in this Department.

Nationalisation of Road Transport of Kolar District.

*Q.—398. Sri J. NARAYANAPPA (Mulbagal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) when they nationalised the Road Transport in Kolar District;

(b) the income and expenditure from the date of nationalisation till now?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Forest and Transport).—

(a) Road Transport Services in Kolar District have not been nationalised to the exclusion of other operators. The Mysore Government Road Transport Department is operating concurrently on 11 routes with effect from 1st April 1959. Private operators are also operating on these routes.

(b) The income derived from the operation of these 11 routes since April 1959 to end of January 1960 is Rs. 2,40,946-90-nP. Regarding expenditure no separate accounts have been maintained in respect of these services.

Estimates for Excavation work of 11th Distributary of Visvesvaraya Channel

*Q.—406. Sri T. P. BORIAH (Kollegal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether an estimate has been prepared to excavate the 11th Distributary near Dasegowdana Koppal to the Turuganur Branch of the Visvesvaraya Channel and if so, the estimated cost;

(b) the reasons for not starting the work yet?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA

(b) Yes. The estimated cost is Rs. 37,500.

(b) The estimate is under scrutiny.

Bus Fare charged by the Private Operators and Road Transport Department in Kolar District.

*Q.—412. Sri S. MUNIRAJU (Chickballapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the reasons for the increase in the Bus fare;

(b) the fare that is charged by private Bus operators and M.G.R.T.D. on the following routes:—

(i) Chickballapur to Kolar;
(ii) Bagepalli to Chickballapur *via* Gudibanda;
(iii) Chintamani to Bagepally?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Forest and Transport).—

(a) The reasons for revision of fares are:—

1. Rise in prices of vehicles, spare parts, fuel, lubricant oils, tyres and tubes, etc.